ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An image pickup apparatus is provided which can record AV data including image data and sound data recorded by the image pickup apparatus in an external storage device connected to the image pickup device. In response to an instruction of a record start, the image pickup apparatus starts recording AV data, and at the same time starts digitally outputting the AV data. In response to an instruction of a record stop, the image pickup apparatus stops recording AV data, and at the same time stops digitally outputting the AV data.

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